

Collection of customs duty, sales tax and service tax

780. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of customs, central excise, sales tax and service tax collected during the last three years, item-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether the last few years has witnessed sharp decline in the collection of various duties and taxes, save the service tax;

(c) if so, the details as at (a) above and reasons for such decline;

(d) whether Government propose to make up the shortfall by increasing the service tax and bringing in more number of services under the service tax net; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the new services proposed to be covered and earned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) Revenue collection from customs, central excise, sales tax and service tax during the last three years (2003-04 to 2005-06) is as follows:

Indirect Taxes	Revenue collection (in Rs. crore)		
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
Customs	48629	57611	65067
Central Excise	90774	99125	111226
Sales Tax	85371	105106	123014
Service Tax	7891	14200	23055
TOTAL:	232665	276042	322362

(c) and (d) There has been no shortfall. However, to raise more revenue, Government has proposed to extend the service tax to a few more services in the 2007-08 Budget.

(e) The new services proposed to be subjected to service tax in Budget 2007-08 are placed in the Statement (See below). Full details are available in the Finance Bill, 2007. Estimated revenue on this account is Rs. 2000 crore.

Statement***Services individually specified as taxable services***

- (1) Services outsourced for mining of mineral, oil or gas;
- (2) Services provided in relation to renting of immovable property, other than residential properties and vacant land, for use in the course and furtherance of business or commerce;
- (3) Services provided in relation to the execution of a works contract;
- (4) Development and supply of content for use in telecommunication services, advertising agency services and online information and database access or retrieval services;
- (5) Asset management services including portfolio management and all forms of fund management service provided by any person, except a banking company or a financial institution including a non-banking financial company or any other body corporate or commercial concern;
- (6) Design services.

Planning Commission's recommendation on cut in Non-Plan expenditure and subsidies

781. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether faced with a fund crunch, the Planning Commission has warned that Government may have to phase out some of its new schemes, postpone some and drastically prune the allocation on ongoing projects;

(b) if so, whether Planning Commission has estimated that adhering to the Fiscal responsibility and Budget Management Act would result in 15 per cent increase in the budgetary support for Central and State plan during 2007-08;

(c) whether Commission recommended drastic cuts in Non-Plan expenditure and populist subsidies to mobilise more funds for the Eleventh Plan; and

(d) if so, the steps being considered?